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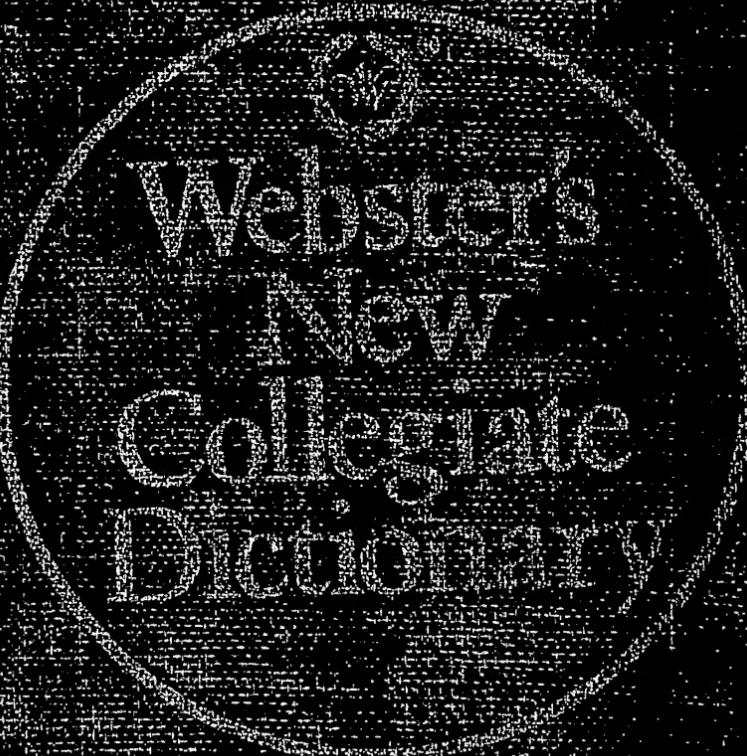
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Dictio

ative poem: BALLAD 2

Gk *laikos* of the people, laity: not ecclesiastical
us house occupied with
3: not of or from a
the: public
a lazy shiftless person

merchandise reserved for
a deposit and agrees to
led for
or delivery
(as a last cultivating) in
ranch from or a widening
out obstructing traffic
to store for future use
the last time
by the charter for loading
in port

IR <lay down your arms>
a scale for a map
<lay down the law>
3
rd a target <lay down a
d <laid down a sacrifice

ys (as a workman who lays
thickness, course, or fold
STRATUM c: HORIZON 2
ed to induce rooting while
plant developed by layering

means of layers ~ vi 1 a
out of superimposed layers
comes in contact with the

ice or art of layering plants
eye box, fr. MD *lade*; akin
DE: a complete outfit of
infant
y figure), fr. D *leeman* 1
used by artists to show the
ened to a dummy or puppet

hands on a person's head
istian ordination, confirma-

who is not a clergyman 2
articular profession, or who

g off an employee or a work
of inactivity or idleness
measure off 2: to cease to
a: to let alone b: AVOID.
k
s water or gas) to a building
or <lay on a banquet> 3
AT

ess of planning or laying out
rangement of something that
arrangement of matter to be
lacing of men, machines, and
3 a: something that is laid
structures or rooms used for
ing ~; also: PLACE c: a

are (a corpse) for viewing b
to plan in detail <lay out a
drilling, machining, or filing

~ vi: to make a stopover
n Catholic layman authorized
ces not requiring a clergyman
hip) into the wind and hold

laying up or the condition of
all made from near the basket
board

p: lay by 2: to disable or
o take out of active service
oman who is a member of the

ML *lazarus*, fr. LL *Lazarus*
c disease; specif: LEPRO-
ret \-ret, -rēt\ n. pl. *rētos*
[*nāzaret*, fr. *Santa Maria di*
ntained a hospital] 1 usu *laza-*
seases 2: a building or a ship
usu *lazaret*: a space in a ship

[College of St. Lázare, Paris,
c: VINCENTIAN

ik *Lazarus*, fr. Heb *El'ázār* 1
raised by Jesus from the dead
2: the diseased beggar in the
egg found in Luke 16
formation fr. *lasy* vi: to act or
ne) in idleness or relaxation ~

ih, fr. ML *lazulum* lapis lazuli
mineral (Mg,Fe)Al₂(PO₄)₂(OH)₂
nium, iron, and magnesium ~

la-zy \lā-zē\ adj. la-zi-er, -est [perh. fr. MLG *lasich* feeble; akin
to MHG *erleswen* to become weak] 1 a: disinclined to activity
or exertion: not energetic or vigorous b: encouraging inactivity
or indolence 2: moving slowly: SLUGGISH 3: DROOPY LAX 4
: placed on its side <~ E livestock brand> — la-zi-ty \-zē-lē\ adv
— la-zi-ness \-zē-nəs\ n

syn LAZY, INDOLENT, SLOTHFUL shared meaning element: not easily
aroused to action or activity

la-zy \lā-zē\ adj. la-zy-ing: to move or lie lazily: LAZE
la-zy-bones \lā-zē-bōnz\ n pl but sing or pl in constr: a lazy person
la-zy eye n: AMBLYOPIA

la-zy-ish \lā-zē-ish\ adj: somewhat lazy
la-zy su-san \-süz-ən\ n: a revolving tray placed on a dining table
for serving food, condiments, or relishes

la-zy tongs n pl: a series of jointed and pivoted bars capable of
great extension used for picking up or handling something at a
distance

la-zy-ro-ne \lā-zē-rō-nē, lād-zə-\ n, pl -ro-nē \-rō-nē\ [It. aug. of
lazzaro lazarus, beggar, fr. ML *lazarus*]: one of the homeless idlers
of Naples

lb abbr [L *libra*] pound

lc abbr lowercase

LC abbr 1 landing craft 2 left center 3 letter of credit 4 Library
of Congress

LCD abbr least common denominator; lowest common denominator

LCDR abbr lieutenant commander

LCL abbr less-than-carload lot

LCM abbr 1 least common multiple; lowest common multiple 2
[NL *legis comparativae magister*] master of comparative law

LCpl abbr lance corporal

LCS abbr landing craft, support

LCT abbr 1 landing craft, tank 2 local civil time

LD abbr 1 load 2 lord

LD abbr 1 lethal dose — often used with a numerical subscript to
indicate the percent of a test group of organisms the dose is
expected to kill <LD₅₀> 2 line of departure

ldg abbr 1 landing 2 loading

LDH abbr 1 lactate dehydrogenase 2 lactic dehydrogenase

L-dopa \el-'dō-pə\ n [L + *dopa*]: the levorotatory form of dopa
found esp. in broad beans or prepared synthetically and used in
treating Parkinson's disease

ldr abbr leader

LDS abbr Latter-Day Saints

LE abbr leading edge

lea or ley \lē, lā\ n [ME *lepe*, fr. OE *lēah*; akin to OHG *lāh*
thicket, L *lucus* grove, *lux* light — more at LIGHT] 1: GRASSLAND,
PASTURE 2 usu *ley*: arable land used temporarily for hay or graz-

ing

lea abbr leather

LEA abbr local education authority

leach \leč\ v of LEECH

leach n [prob. alter. of *leech* (muddy ditch)] 1: a perforated
vessel to hold wood ashes through which water is passed to extract
the lye 2: LEACHATE 3 [*leach*]: the process of leaching

leach w 1: to subject to the action of percolating liquid (as
water) in order to separate the soluble components 2: to dissolve
out by the action of a percolating liquid <~ out-kalk from ashes>

w 1: to pass out or through by percolation — leach-abil-ity

\leč-ə-bil-ə-tē\ n — leach-able \leč-ə-bəl\ adj — leach-er n

leach-ate \leč-ət\ n: a solution or product obtained by leaching

lead \led\ vb led \led\; lead-ing [ME *leden*, fr. OE *lēdan*; akin
to OHG *leiten* to lead, OE *lithian* to go] w 1 a: to guide on a way
esp. by going in advance b: to direct on a course, or in a direction
c: to serve as a channel for <a pipe ~s water to the house> 2

: to go through: LIVE <~ a quiet life> 3 a (1): to direct the
operations, activity, or performance of <~ an orchestra> (2)

: to have charge of <~ a campaign> b (1): to go at the head
of <~ a parade> (2): to be first in or among <~ the league>

(3): to have a margin over <led his opponent> 4: to begin play
with <~ trumps> 5 a: to aim in front of (a moving object) <~

a duck> b: to pass a ball or puck just in front of (a moving
teammate) 6: to begin a series of blows with <led a short jab to
the head> ~ w 1 a: to guide someone or something along a way
b: to lie, run, or open in a specified place or direction <path ~s
uphill> 2 a: to be first b (1): BEGIN, OPEN <~ off for the
home team> (2): to play the first card of a trick, round, or game
3: to tend toward a definite result <study ~ing to a degree> 4

: to direct the first of a series of blows at an opponent in boxing;
also: to punch with the leading hand syn see GUIDE ant follow

lead n 1 a (1): position at the front: VANGUARD (2): IN-

ITIATIVE (3): the act or privilege of leading in cards; also: the
card or suit led b (1): LEADERSHIP (2): EXAMPLE, PRECEDENT c

: a margin or measure of advantage or superiority or position in
advance 2: one that leads as a (1): LODE 2 (2): an auriferous
gravel deposit in an old river bed; esp: one buried under lava
b: a channel of water esp. through a field of ice c: INDICATION,
CLUE d: a principal role in a dramatic production; also: one
who plays such a role e: LEASH 1 f (1): an introductory section
of a news story (2): a news story of chief importance 3: an
insulated electrical conductor 4: the length of a rope from end to
end 5: the amount of axial advance of a point accompanying a
complete turn of a thread (as of a screw or worm) 6: a position
taken by a base runner off a base toward the next

lead adj: acting or serving as a lead or leader <a ~ article>

lead \led\ n, often attrib [ME *lead*, fr. OE *lēad*; akin to MHG *lōt*
lead] 1: a heavy soft malleable ductile plastic but inelastic bluish
white metallic element found mostly in combination and used esp.
in pipes, cable-sheaths, batteries, solder, type metal, and shields
against radioactivity — see ELEMENT table 2 a: a plummet for
sounding at sea b pl *Brit*: a usu. flat lead roof c pl: lead
framing, for panes in windows d: a thin strip of metal used to
separate lines of type in printing 3 a: a thin stick of marking
substance in or for a pencil b: WHITE LEAD 4: BULLETS, PROJEC-

TILES 5: TETRAETHYLEAD

lead \led\ v 1: to cover, line, or weight with lead 2: to fix
(window glass) in position with leads 3: to place leads or other
spacing material between the lines of (type matter) 4: to treat or
mix with lead or a lead compound <~ ed gasoline>

lead acetate n: an acetate of lead; esp: a poisonous soluble salt
PbC₂H₃O₄·3H₂O

lead arsenate n: an arsenate of lead; esp: an acid salt PbHAsO₄
used as an insecticide

lead azide n: a crystalline explosive compound Pb(N₃)₂ used as a
detonating agent

lead back vi: to lead (a card) from a suit that one's partner has
orig. led

lead carbonate n: a carbonate of lead; esp: a poisonous basic
salt Pb₂(OH)₂(CO₃)₂ used esp. as a white pigment

lead chromate n: a chromate of lead; esp: CHROME YELLOW

lead colic n: intestinal colic associated with obstinate constipation
due to chronic lead poisoning — called also *painter's colic*

lead dioxide n: a poisonous compound PbO₂ used esp. as an
oxidizing agent and as an electrode in batteries

lead-on \led-ən\ adj 1 a: made of lead b: of the color of lead
c: dull gray 2: low in quality: POOR 3 a: oppressively heavy
b: SLUGGISH c: lacking spirit or animation: DULL — lead-on-ly

adv — lead-on-ness \-n(ə)s\ n

lead-or \led-ər\ n 1: something that leads; as a: a primary or
terminal shoot of a plant b: TENDON, SINEW c pl: dots or hy-

phens (as in an index) used to lead the eye horizontally: ELLIPSIS

2- d chiefly *Brit*: a newspaper editorial e (1): something for
guiding fish into a trap (2): a short length of material for
attaching the end of a fishing line to a lure or hook f: a pipe for
conducting fluid g: an article offered at an attractive special low
price to stimulate business h: something that ranks first 1: a
blank section at the beginning of a reel of film or recorded tape 2

: a person that leads; as a: GUIDE, CONDUCTOR b (1): a person
who directs a military force or unit (2): a person who has
commanding authority or influence c (1): the principal officer of
a British political party (2): a member chosen by his party to
manage party activities in a legislative body (3): such a member
presiding over the whole legislative body when his party constitutes
a majority (4): one that exercises paramount but responsible
authority over a state or local party organization (5): the
principal member of the party elite in a totalitarian system endowed
by official ideology with a heroic or mystical character and who
governs with a minimum of formal constitutional restraints,
extreme nationalist demagoguery, and claims to be above narrow class
or group interests d (1): CONDUCTOR c (2): a first or principal
performer of a group e: STRAW BOSS, FOREMAN 3: a horse placed
in advance of the other horses of a team — lead-er-less \-ləs\ adj

leader of the opposition: the principal member of the opposition
party in a British legislative body who is given the status of a
salaried government official and an important role in organizing the
business of the house

lead-er-ship \led-ər-ship\ n 1: the office or position of a leader
2: the quality of a leader: capacity to lead

lead glass n: glass of high refractive index containing lead oxide

lead-in \led-in\ n: something that leads in; esp: the part of a
radio or television antenna that runs to the transmitting or receiving
set — lead-in adj

lead-ing \led-ing\ adj 1: coming or ranking first: FOREMOST 2

: exercising leadership 3: providing direction or guidance <a ~
question> 4: given most prominent display: <the ~ story>

leading article n 1 chiefly *Brit*: EDITORIAL 2: the article
given the most significant position or most prominent display
in a periodical

leading edge n 1: the foremost edge of an airfoil or
propeller blade 2: the forward part of a vehicle or of something
that itself moves

leading lady n: an actress who plays the leading feminine role in a
play or movie

leading man n: an actor who plays the leading male role in a play
or movie

leading strings n pl 1: strings by which children are supported
when beginning to walk 2: a state of dependence or tutelage

: GUIDANCE — usu. used in the phrase *in leading strings*

leading tone n: the seventh tone of a diatonic scale — called also
leading note

lead-less \led-ləs\ adj: being without lead <~ gasoline>

lead line \led-\ n: SOUNDING LINE

lead monoxide n: a yellow to brownish red poisonous compound
PbO used in rubber manufacture and glassmaking

lead-off \led-ɔf\ n 1: a beginning or leading action 2: one
that leads off

leadoff adj 1: leading off: OPENING 2: of, being, or made by
the first batter in an inning <~ hitter> <~ single>

lead off \led-ɔf\ v 1: to make a start on: OPEN 2: to bat
first for a baseball team in (an inning)

lead on vi: to entice or induce to proceed in a course esp. when
unwise or mistaken

lead pencil \led-\ n: a pencil using graphite as the marking
material

lead-plant \led-plant\ n: a leguminous shrub (*Amorpha canes-*
cens) of the western U.S. that has hoary pinnate leaves and bears
dull-colored racemose flowers

lead poisoning n: chronic intoxication that is produced by the
absorption of lead into the system and is characterized by severe
colicky pains, a dark line along the gums, and local muscular
paralysis

about kitten or further a back a bake a cot, cart
au out ch chin e less e easy g gift i trip i life
j joke u sing o flow o flaw o coin th thin th this
ü loot u foot y yet yü few yü furious zh vision